U.S. District Court Southern District of New York (Foley Square) CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:19-cv-01329-PAE

Open Society Justice Initiative v. Department of Justice et al

Assigned to: Judge Paul A. Engelmayer Lead case: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE Member case: (View Member Case)

Related Case: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Plaintiff

Open Society Justice Initiative

Date Filed: 02/12/2019 Jury Demand: None

Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of

Information Act

Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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| 02/12/2019 | 1 | COMPLAINT against Department of Justice, Department of State. (Filing Fee \$ 400.00, Receipt Number ANYSDC–16334962)Document filed by Open Society |

| | | Justice Initiative. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A – Plaintiff's FOIA requests)(Amirfar, Catherine) (Entered: 02/12/2019) |
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| 02/12/2019 | 2 | CIVIL COVER SHEET filed. (Amirfar, Catherine) (Entered: 02/12/2019) |
| 02/12/2019 | <u>3</u> | REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF SUMMONS as to Department of Justice, re: 1 Complaint,. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative. (Amirfar, Catherine) (Entered: 02/12/2019) |
| 02/12/2019 | 4 | REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF SUMMONS as to Department of State, re: 1 Complaint,. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative. (Amirfar, Catherine) (Entered: 02/12/2019) |
| 02/12/2019 | <u>5</u> | STATEMENT OF RELATEDNESS re: that this action be filed as related to 1:19-cv-00234-PAE. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative.(Amirfar, Catherine) (Entered: 02/12/2019) |
| 02/12/2019 | <u>6</u> | RULE 7.1 CORPORATE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT. Identifying Other Affiliate Open Society Institute for Open Society Justice Initiative. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative.(Amirfar, Catherine) (Entered: 02/12/2019) |
| 02/13/2019 | | CASE OPENING INITIAL ASSIGNMENT NOTICE: The above–entitled action is assigned to Judge Unassigned. (jgo) (Entered: 02/13/2019) |
| 02/13/2019 | | Case Designated ECF. (jgo) (Entered: 02/13/2019) |
| 02/13/2019 | | CASE REFERRED TO Judge Paul A. Engelmayer as possibly related to 19–cv–234. (jgo) (Entered: 02/13/2019) |
| 02/13/2019 | 7 | ELECTRONIC SUMMONS ISSUED as to Department of Justice. (jgo) (Entered: 02/13/2019) |
| 02/13/2019 | <u>8</u> | ELECTRONIC SUMMONS ISSUED as to Department of State. (jgo) (Entered: 02/13/2019) |
| 02/15/2019 | | CASE ACCEPTED AS RELATED. Create association to 1:19–cv–00234–PAE. Notice of Assignment to follow. (bcu) (Entered: 02/15/2019) |
| 02/15/2019 | | NOTICE OF CASE REASSIGNMENT to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer. Judge Unassigned is no longer assigned to the case. (bcu) (Entered: 02/15/2019) |
| 02/15/2019 | | Magistrate Judge Barbara C. Moses is so designated. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 636(c) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 73(b)(1) parties are notified that they may consent to proceed before a United States Magistrate Judge. Parties who wish to consent may access the necessary form at the following link: http://nysd.uscourts.gov/forms.php . (bcu) (Entered: 02/15/2019) |
| 02/27/2019 | | CONSOLIDATED MEMBER CASE: Create association to 1:19-cv-00234-PAE. (anc) (Entered: 02/27/2019) |
| 02/27/2019 | 2 | ORDER granting (22) Letter Motion to Consolidate Cases; granting (22) Letter Motion for Extension of Time to Answer in case 1:19-cv-00234-PAE. Granted. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 2/27/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE (anc) Modified on 2/27/2019 (anc). (Entered: 02/27/2019) |
| 02/27/2019 | | Set/Reset Deadlines: Department of Justice answer due 3/18/2019; Department of State answer due 3/18/2019. (anc) (Entered: 02/27/2019) |
| 03/18/2019 | <u>10</u> | NOTICE OF APPEARANCE by Natasha Waglow Teleanu on behalf of Department of Justice, Department of State. (Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 03/18/2019) |
| 03/18/2019 | <u>11</u> | ANSWER to 1 Complaint,. Document filed by Department of Justice, Department of State.(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 03/18/2019) |
| 03/19/2019 | <u>12</u> | NOTICE OF INITIAL PRETRIAL CONFERENCE: Initial Conference set for 4/19/2019 at 02:30 PM in Courtroom 1305, 40 Centre Street, New York, NY 10007 before Judge Paul A. Engelmayer; and as further set forth in this Order. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 3/19/2019) (anc) (Entered: 03/19/2019) |

| 03/20/2019 | <u>13</u> | CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE of Notice of Initial Pretrial Conference served on Department of Justice, Department of State on March 20, 2019. Service was made by Mail. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative. (Amirfar, Catherine) (Entered: 03/20/2019) |
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| 04/15/2019 | <u>14</u> | NOTICE OF APPEARANCE OF PRO BONO COUNSEL by David James Sandler on behalf of Open Society Justice Initiative Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Sandler, David) (Entered: 04/15/2019) |
| 04/15/2019 | <u>15</u> | NOTICE OF APPEARANCE OF PRO BONO COUNSEL by David James Sandler on behalf of Open Society Justice Initiative (Sandler, David) (Entered: 04/15/2019) |
| 04/15/2019 | <u>16</u> | JOINT LETTER addressed to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer from Natasha W. Teleanu dated 4/15/2019 re: Initial Conference. Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 04/15/2019) |
| 04/18/2019 | <u>17</u> | CONSENT LETTER addressed to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer from Peter Aronoff dated 4/18/2019 re: requesting initial conference be moved to 1pm on 4/19/2019. Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19–cv–00234–PAE, 1:19–cv–01329–PAE(Aronoff, Peter) (Entered: 04/18/2019) |
| 04/18/2019 | <u>18</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (28 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 17 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) Letter, filed by Department of Defense, Department of State, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency. ENDORSEMENT: The Court hereby adjourns this conference to noon on Friday, April 19, 2019. SO ORDERED. (Initial Conference set for 4/19/2019 at 12:00 PM before Judge Paul A. Engelmayer.) (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 4/18/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(anc) (Entered: 04/18/2019) |
| 04/22/2019 | | Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Paul A. Engelmayer: Initial Pretrial Conference held on 4/22/2019. Amrit Singh & David Sandler present for Plaintiff. Natasha Teleanu & Peter Aronoff present for Defendants. Court reporter present. (ajs) (Entered: 04/22/2019) |
| 04/23/2019 | <u>19</u> | SCHEDULING ORDER: The above–captioned actions having been consolidated, see ECF No. 23 in 19 Civ. 234, absent further order of the Court, all filings in these matters going forward shall be made under the docket number 19 Civ. 234. The parties shall negotiate in good faith to narrow the scope of the search or exclude categories of non–substantive records identified by Defendants. On April 26, 2019, and every Friday thereafter until directed by the Court, the Parties shall update the Court in a joint letter on the status of discussions between the Parties and Defendants' responses to Plaintiffs Requests; and as further set forth herein. Status Conference set for 6/4/2019 at 03:30 PM in Courtroom 1305, 40 Centre Street, New York, NY 10007 before Judge Paul A. Engelmayer. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 4/22/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19–cv–00234–PAE, 1:19–cv–01329–PAE(anc) (Entered: 04/23/2019) |
| 04/26/2019 | <u>20</u> | AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE of Summons and Complaint,. Department of Justice served on 2/14/2019, answer due 3/18/2019. Service was made by ceritifed mail and Also served The U. S. Attorney General. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative. (Amirfar, Catherine) (Entered: 04/26/2019) |
| 04/26/2019 | <u>21</u> | AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE of Summons and Complaint,. Department of State served on 2/14/2019, answer due 3/18/2019. Service was made by certified mail. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative. (Amirfar, Catherine) (Entered: 04/26/2019) |
| 04/26/2019 | 22 | AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE of Summons and Complaint,. All Defendants. Service was accepted by Hao Jun Lie. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative. (Amirfar, Catherine) (Entered: 04/26/2019) |

| 04/26/2019 | <u>23</u> | STATUS REPORT. (<i>joint</i>) Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19–cv–00234–PAE, 1:19–cv–01329–PAE(Aronoff, Peter) (Entered: 04/26/2019) |
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| 04/29/2019 | <u>24</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (23 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE, 37 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE) Status Report, filed by Department of Defense, Department of State, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency. ENDORSEMENT: The Court appreciates this update. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 4/29/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE (ks) (Entered: 04/29/2019) |
| 05/03/2019 | <u>25</u> | STATUS REPORT. (<i>joint</i>) and proposal for letter–briefing schedule regarding State's processing rate Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19–cv–00234–PAE, 1:19–cv–01329–PAE(Aronoff, Peter) (Entered: 05/03/2019) |
| 05/06/2019 | <u>26</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (25 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE, 39 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE) Status Report, filed by Department of Defense, Department of State, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency. ENDORSEMENT: The Court appreciates this update and approves the parties' proposed letter briefing schedule. SO ORDERED. (Motions due by 5/13/2019. Responses due by 5/20/2019) (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 5/6/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(ne) (Entered: 05/06/2019) |
| 05/10/2019 | <u>27</u> | STATUS REPORT. Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 05/10/2019) |
| 05/10/2019 | <u>28</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (41 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 27 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) Status Report, filed by Department of Defense, Department of State, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency. ENDORSEMENT: The Court appreciates this update. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 5/10/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(anc) (Entered: 05/13/2019) |
| 05/13/2019 | <u>29</u> | FILING ERROR – WRONG EVENT TYPE SELECTED FROM MENU – LETTER MOTION to Continue processing at a rate of 300 pages per month addressed to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer from Natasha W. Teleanu dated 5/13/2019. Document filed by Department of State. (Attachments: # 1 Supplement Declaration of Eric F. Stein, # 2 Exhibit 1 to Stein Declaration, # 3 Exhibit 2 to Stein Declaration, # 4 Exhibit 3 to Stein Declaration)(Teleanu, Natasha) Modified on 5/14/2019 (db). (Entered: 05/13/2019) |
| 05/14/2019 | | ***NOTICE TO ATTORNEY TO RE-FILE DOCUMENT – EVENT TYPE ERROR. Notice to Attorney Natasha Waglow Teleanu to RE-FILE Document 29 LETTER MOTION to Continue processing at a rate of 300 pages per month addressed to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer from Natasha W. Teleanu dated 5/13/2019. Use the event type Letter found under the event list Other Documents. (db) (Entered: 05/14/2019) |
| 05/14/2019 | <u>30</u> | LETTER addressed to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer from Natasha W. Teleanu dated 5/13/2019 re: Processing rate. Document filed by Department of State. (Attachments: # 1 Supplement Declaration of Eric F. Stein, # 2 Exhibit 1 to Stein Declaration, # 3 Exhibit 2 to Stein Declaration, # 4 Exhibit 3 to Stein Declaration)(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 05/14/2019) |
| 05/17/2019 | <u>31</u> | STATUS REPORT. Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, |

| | | Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Aronoff, Peter) (Entered: 05/17/2019) |
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| 05/20/2019 | <u>32</u> | LETTER addressed to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer from David J. Sandler dated May 20, 2019 re: opposition to the 5/13/19 DOS letter requesting the Court to approve States proposed processing rate of only 300 pages per month Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Sandler, David) (Entered: 05/20/2019) |
| 05/21/2019 | <u>33</u> | LETTER addressed to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer from David J. Sandler dated 5/21/19 re: parties' consent to the over–length letter (Dkt. 44) and requesting the court to accept the over–length letter. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19–cv–00234–PAE, 1:19–cv–01329–PAE(Sandler, David) (Entered: 05/21/2019) |
| 05/22/2019 | <u>34</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (45 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 33 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) Letter, filed by Open Society Justice Initiative. ENDORSEMENT: Granted. The Court will accept the over-length letter on the consent of all parties. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 5/21/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(mro) (Entered: 05/22/2019) |
| 05/22/2019 | <u>35</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (31 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE, 43 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE) Status Report, filed by Department of Defense, Department of State, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency. ENDORSEMENT: The Court appreciates this update. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 5/22/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(mro) (Entered: 05/22/2019) |
| 05/24/2019 | <u>36</u> | JOINT LETTER addressed to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer from Natasha W. Teleanu dated 5/24/2019 re: weekly status update. Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 05/24/2019) |
| 05/29/2019 | <u>37</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (36 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE, 48 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE) Letter, filed by Department of Defense, Department of State, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency. ENDORSEMENT: The Court appreciates this update. The Court adjourns State's May 29 and May 30 deadlines. Th parties should confer and provide the Court new deadlines by June 4, 2019. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 5/29/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(rro) (Entered: 05/30/2019) |
| 05/30/2019 | 38 | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (32 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE, 44 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE) Letter, filed by Open Society Justice Initiative. ENDORSEMENT: Having reviewed the parties' competing letters, the Court's judgment is that a processing rate of 5,000 pages per month, beginning June 2019, appropriately balances the urgency of this particular request with the State Department's concerns regarding the burdens of making FOTA productions. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 5/30/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(anc) (Entered: 05/30/2019) |
| 05/31/2019 | <u>39</u> | STATUS REPORT. Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 05/31/2019) |
| 06/03/2019 | <u>40</u> | ORDER: Due to a scheduling conflict, the Court reschedules the conference currently scheduled for June 4, 2019 at 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. that same day. SO ORDERED. (Status Conference set for 6/4/2019 at 04:30 PM before Judge Paul A. Engelmayer.) (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 6/3/2019) ***Pursuant to instructions from Chambers, Filed In All Member Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, |

| | | 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(anc) (Entered: 06/03/2019) |
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| 06/03/2019 | <u>41</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (51 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 39 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) Status Report, filed by Department of Defense, Department of State, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency. ENDORSEMENT: The Court appreciates this update. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 6/3/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(anc) (Entered: 06/03/2019) |
| 06/04/2019 | | Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Paul A. Engelmayer: Status Conference held on 6/4/2019. Amrit Singh & David Sandler present for Plaintiff. Natasha Teleanu & Peter Arnoff present for Defendants. Court reporter present. (ajs) (Entered: 06/05/2019) |
| 06/05/2019 | <u>42</u> | ORDER: At today's conference, the Court set the following deadlines: 1. The parties shall continue to provide the Court with joint weekly status updates, continuing June 7 2019, and continuing every Friday thereafter; 2. The Department of Defense shall provide a proposed production schedule on June 17, 2019. It shall process 2,500 pages of responsive records by June 30, 2019, and thereafter process 5,000 pages per month; 3. The Department of Justice shall provide a proposed production schedule on June 5, 2019. It shall process responsive records at a rate of 5,000 pages per month; 4. The Department of State shall complete its search of classified and unclassified emails within 4.5 weeks; 5. The next status conference is scheduled for July 8, 2019 at 3:30 p.m. SO ORDERED. (Status Conference set for 7/8/2019 at 03:30 PM before Judge Paul A. Engelmayer.) (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 6/5/2019) (mml) (Entered: 06/05/2019) |
| 06/07/2019 | <u>43</u> | CONSENT LETTER addressed to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer from Peter Aronoff dated 6/7/2019 re: seeking limited clarification and/or modification of the Court's June 5, 2019 processing order as to DOD. Document filed by Department of Defense.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19–cv–00234–PAE, 1:19–cv–01329–PAE(Aronoff, Peter) (Entered: 06/07/2019) |
| 06/07/2019 | 44 | STATUS REPORT. Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 06/07/2019) |
| 06/10/2019 | <u>45</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (55 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 43 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) Letter, filed by Department of Defense. ENDORSEMENT: Granted. The Court appreciates the parties' collective efforts to create clearer proposed language. The Court adopts the language herein as superseding paragraphs 2 and 3 of its June 5, 2019 Order. Dkt. 54. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmaye on 6/10/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(anc) (Entered: 06/10/2019) |
| 06/10/2019 | <u>46</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (56 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 44 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) Status Report, filed by Department of Defense, Department of State, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency. ENDORSEMENT: The Court appreciates this update. The Court is cognizant of DOD's anticipated motion for reconsideration and authorizes the Government to attach a declaration in support. The Court reiterates, however, that unless and until the Court grants any motion for reconsideration, all Orders remain in effect. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 6/10/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(anc) (Entered: 06/10/2019) |
| 06/13/2019 | <u>47</u> | MOTION for Reconsideration or modification of Court's processing orders as to DOI and State. Document filed by Department of Defense, Department of State.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Aronoff, Peter) (Entered: 06/13/2019) |
| 06/13/2019 | <u>48</u> | MEMORANDUM OF LAW in Support re: (61 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 47 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) MOTION for Reconsideration <i>or modification of Court's processing orders as to DOD and State</i> . Document filed by Department of Defense, |

| | | Department of State. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Aronoff, Peter) (Entered: 06/13/2019) |
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| 06/13/2019 | <u>49</u> | DECLARATION of Mark H. Herrington in Support re: (61 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 47 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) MOTION for Reconsideration <i>or modification of Court's processing orders as to DOD and State.</i> . Document filed by Department of Defense, Department of State. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Aronoff, Peter) (Entered: 06/13/2019) |
| 06/13/2019 | <u>50</u> | DECLARATION of Eric F. Stein in Support re: (61 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 47 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) MOTION for Reconsideration <i>or modification of Court's processing orders as to DOD and State.</i> . Document filed by Department of Defense, Department of State. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Aronoff, Peter) (Entered: 06/13/2019) |
| 06/14/2019 | <u>51</u> | STATUS REPORT. Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 06/14/2019) |
| 06/17/2019 | <u>52</u> | PROPOSED STIPULATION AND ORDER. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative. (Sandler, David) (Entered: 06/17/2019) |
| 06/17/2019 | <u>53</u> | LETTER addressed to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer from David J. Sandler dated June 17, 2019 re: withdrawal as counsel for Plaintiff. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative.(Sandler, David) (Entered: 06/17/2019) |
| 06/21/2019 | <u>54</u> | STATUS REPORT. Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 06/21/2019) |
| 06/21/2019 | <u>55</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (53 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) Letter filed by Open Society Justice Initiative. ENDORSEMENT: SO ORDERED. (Attorney David James Sandler terminated.) (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 6/21/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(anc) (Entered: 06/24/2019) |
| 06/21/2019 | <u>56</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (54 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) Status Report, filed by Department of Defense, Department of State, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency. ENDORSEMENT: The Court appreciates this update. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 6/21/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(anc) (Entered: 06/24/2019) |
| 06/21/2019 | <u>57</u> | STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL OF DEFENDANT U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION: IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between Plaintiff and the FBI, and their respective counsel, that: Plaintiff releases and discharges the FBI from any and all claims and causes of action that Plaintiff asserted – or could have asserted – in this litigation arising out of the FOIA request. This action is hereby dismissed with prejudice with respect to the FBI, and without costs or attorneys' fees to any party; and as further set forth herein. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 6/21/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19–cv–00234–PAE, 1:19–cv–01329–PAE(anc) Modified on 6/25/2019 (anc). (Entered: 06/24/2019) |
| 06/27/2019 | <u>58</u> | MEMORANDUM OF LAW in Opposition re: (61 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 47 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) MOTION for Reconsideration or modification of Court's processing orders as to DOD and State. / Plaintiff OSJI's Memorandum of Law in Opposition to the Government's Motion for Reconsideration. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Amirfar, Catherine) (Entered: 06/27/2019) |
| 06/27/2019 | <u>59</u> | DECLARATION of Catherine Amirfar in Opposition re: (61 in 1:19–cv–00234–PAE 47 in 1:19–cv–01329–PAE) MOTION for Reconsideration <i>or modification of Court's</i> |

| | | processing orders as to DOD and State Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit 1 – Email from Amrit Singh to Natasha Teleanu, dated May 31, 2019, # 2 Exhibit 2 – Email from David Sandler to Natasha Teleanu, dated June 11, 2019, # 3 Exhibit 3 – Email from Amrit Singh to Natasha Teleanu and Peter Aronoff, dated June 24, 2019, # 4 Exhibit 4 – Letter from Department of State to Amrit Singh, dated December 21, 2018)Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Amirfar, Catherine) (Entered: 06/27/2019) |
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| 06/28/2019 | <u>60</u> | STATUS REPORT. Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Aronoff, Peter) (Entered: 06/28/2019) |
| 07/01/2019 | <u>61</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (74 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 60 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) Status Report, filed by Department of Defense, Department of State, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency. ENDORSEMENT: The Court appreciates this update. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 7/1/2019) (ks) (Entered: 07/01/2019) |
| 07/01/2019 | <u>62</u> | MOTION for Matthew D. Forbes to Appear Pro Hac Vice . Filing fee of \$200.00 paid receipt no. ANYSDC-17176407. Motion and supporting papers to be reviewed by Clerk's Office staff. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative. (Attachments # 1 Declaration of Matthew D. Forbes in Support of Motion for Admission Pro Hac Vice, # 2 Matthew D. Forbes Certificates of Good Standing, # 3 Text of Proposed Order)Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Forbes, Matthew) Modified on 7/2/2019 (jc). (Entered: 07/01/2019) |
| 07/02/2019 | | >>>NOTICE REGARDING PRO HAC VICE MOTION. Regarding Document No. (76 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 62 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) MOTION for Matthew D. Forbes to Appear Pro Hac Vice. Motion and supporting papers to be reviewed by Clerk's Office staff The document has been reviewed and there are no deficiencies. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(jc) (Entered: 07/02/2019) |
| 07/02/2019 | <u>63</u> | ORDER FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE: granting <u>62</u> Motion for Matthew D. Forbes to Appear Pro Hac Vice. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 7/02/2019) (ama) (Entered: 07/02/2019) |
| 07/03/2019 | <u>64</u> | STATUS REPORT. Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 07/03/2019) |
| 07/03/2019 | <u>65</u> | REPLY MEMORANDUM OF LAW in Support re: (61 in 1:19–cv–00234–PAE, 47 in 1:19–cv–01329–PAE) MOTION for Reconsideration <i>or modification of Court's processing orders as to DOD and State</i> . Document filed by Department of Defense, Department of State, Department of State. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19–cv–00234–PAE, 1:19–cv–01329–PAE(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 07/03/2019) |
| 07/03/2019 | <u>66</u> | DECLARATION of Eric F. Stein in Support re: (61 in 1:19–cv–00234–PAE, 47 in 1:19–cv–01329–PAE) MOTION for Reconsideration <i>or modification of Court's processing orders as to DOD and State.</i> . Document filed by Department of State, Department of State. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19–cv–00234–PAE, 1:19–cv–01329–PAE(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 07/03/2019) |
| 07/08/2019 | | Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Paul A. Engelmayer: Status Conference held on 7/8/2019. Amrit Singh & Matthew Forbes present for Plaintiff. Natasha Teleanu & Peter Aronoff present for Defendants. Court reporter present. (ajs) (Entered: 07/09/2019) |
| 07/09/2019 | <u>67</u> | ORDER: At today's conference, the Court set the following dates and deadlines: 1. The parties shall provide the Court with joint bi—weekly status updates, beginning July |

| | | 18, 2019, and continuing every other Thursday thereafter; 2. The next status conference is scheduled for August 8, 2019 at 2:30 p.m. SO ORDERED., Status Conference set for 8/8/2019 at 02:30 PM before Judge Paul A. Engelmayer. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 7/8/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(rj) (Entered: 07/09/2019) |
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| 07/18/2019 | <u>68</u> | STATUS REPORT. Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 07/18/2019) |
| 07/19/2019 | <u>69</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (84 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 68 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) Status Report, filed by Department of Defense, Department of State, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency. ENDORSEMENT: The Court appreciates this update and the parties' ongoing efforts to discuss technologies that would make FOIA productions more relevant and efficient. The Court does not require a supplement to this letter before the next scheduled bi-weekly update unless the parties believe they have reached an impasse on an issue that requires the Court's attention. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 7/19/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(anc) (Entered: 07/19/2019) |
| 08/01/2019 | <u>70</u> | LETTER MOTION to Adjourn Conference addressed to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer from Matthew D. Forbes dated August 1, 2019. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Forbes, Matthew) (Entered: 08/01/2019) |
| 08/01/2019 | 71 | ORDER granting (86) Letter Motion to Adjourn Conference in case 1:19-cv-00234-PAE; granting (70) Letter Motion to Adjourn Conference in case 1:19-cv-01329-PAE: Granted. The status conference currently scheduled for August 8, 2019 is hereby adjourned to August 12, 2019 at 10:00. (Status Conference set for 8/12/2019 at 10:00 AM before Judge Paul A. Engelmayer.) (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 8/1/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE (jwh) (Entered: 08/01/2019) |
| 08/01/2019 | <u>72</u> | STATUS REPORT. Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State. Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19–cv–00234–PAE, 1:19–cv–01329–PAE(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 08/01/2019) |
| 08/02/2019 | 73 | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (72 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE, 88 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE) Status Report, filed by Department of Defense, Department of State, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Central Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency ENDORSEMENT: The Court appreciates this update and will take up any outstanding issues at the next conference. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 8/2/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(cf) (Entered: 08/02/2019) |
| 08/06/2019 | 74 | OPINION & ORDER re: (61 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 47 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) MOTION for Reconsideration <i>or modification of Court's processing orders as to DOD and State</i> : For the reasons reviewed above, the Court denies the motions by the State Department and DOD for reconsideration of the monthly processing rates set by the Court. The Clerk of Court is respectfully directed to deny the motion pending at Dkt. 61. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 8/6/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(jwh) (Entered: 08/06/2019) |
| 08/09/2019 | <u>75</u> | LETTER addressed to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer from Catherine Amirfar dated August 9, 2019 re: August 12, 2019 conference. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative. (Attachments: # 1 Exhibit A—Letter from N. Teleanu to OSJI Counsel, July 19, 2019, # 2 Exhibit B Intentionally Left Blank, # 3 Exhibit C—Letter from N. Teleanu to OSJI Counsel, July 30, 2019, # 4 Exhibit D Letter from C. Amirfar to Govts Counsel, Aug. 1, 2019, # 5 Exhibit E Letter from S. Weetman to A. Singh, June 28, 2019, # 6 Exhibit F Letter from S. Weetman to A. Singh, July 31, 2019, # 7 Exhibit G — Letter from N. Teleanu to OSJI Counsel, June 27, 2019)Filed In |

| | | Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Amirfar, Catherine) (Entered: 08/09/2019) |
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| 08/09/2019 | <u>76</u> | LETTER addressed to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer from Peter Aronoff dated 8/9/2019 re: response to plaintiff's letter. Document filed by Department of Defense, Department of State.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Aronoff, Peter) (Entered: 08/09/2019) |
| 08/10/2019 | <u>77</u> | LETTER MOTION for Leave to File Excess Pages /Letter Motion Requesting Permission to File Overlength Letter (Docket No. 91 in 19-cv-234 and 75 in 19-cv-1329) addressed to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer from Catherine Amirfar dated August 10, 2019. Document filed by Open Society Justice Initiative. (Attachments: # 1 Three-Page Letter from C. Amirfar to the Hon. Paul A. Engelmayer, # 2 Exhibit A – Letter from N. Teleanu to OSJI Counsel, July 19, 2019, # 3 Exhibit B Intentionally Left Blank, # 4 Exhibit C – Letter from N. Teleanu to OSJI Counsel, July 30, 2019, # 5 Exhibit D – Letter from C. Amirfar to Govts Counsel, Aug. 1, 2019, # 6 Exhibit E – Letter from S. Weetman to A. Singh, June 28, 2019, # 7 Exhibit F – Letter from S. Weetman to A. Singh, July 31, 2019, # 8 Exhibit G – Letter from N. Teleanu to OSJI Counsel, June 27, 2019)Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Amirfar, Catherine) (Entered: 08/10/2019) |
| 08/13/2019 | <u>78</u> | ORDER: At yesterday's conference, the Court set the following deadlines: 1. By August 26, 2019, the parties shall file a joint letter reporting on the outcomes of the State Department's test of certain search terms and setting out their respective views as to this subject. 2. Also by August 26, 2019, the parties shall file a joint letter reporting on the State Department's efforts to prioritize processing of documents consistent with Plaintiff's preferences. 3. The next status conference is scheduled for September 27, 2019 at 9 a.m. The parties are to file a joint status letter three days prior to the conference. (Status Conference set for 9/27/2019 at 09:00 AM before Judge Paul A. Engelmayer.) (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 8/13/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19–cv–00234–PAE, 1:19–cv–01329–PAE(jwh) (Entered: 08/13/2019) |
| 08/13/2019 | <u>79</u> | ORDER granting (93) Letter Motion for Leave to File Excess Pages in case 1:19-cv-00234-PAE. Granted. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 8/13/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE (jca) (Entered: 08/13/2019) |
| 08/26/2019 | <u>80</u> | STATUS REPORT. (joint) per the Court's August 13 order Document filed by Department of State.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Aronoff, Peter) (Entered: 08/26/2019) |
| 09/24/2019 | <u>81</u> | STATUS REPORT. Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of Justice, Department of State, National Security Agency, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of Justice, Department of State.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 09/24/2019) |
| 09/27/2019 | | Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Paul A. Engelmayer: Status Conference held on 9/27/2019. Amrit Singh & Ashika Singh present for Plaintiff. AUSAs Natasha Telanu & Peter Aronoff present for Defendants. Court reporter present. (ajs) (Entered: 09/27/2019) |
| 10/03/2019 | <u>82</u> | ORDER: At the conference on September 27, 2019, the Court adopted the following briefing schedule, suggested by the parties in their joint status update, Dkt. 99, for the cross–motions for summary judgment to be filed by CIA and ODNI together and by OSJI: CIA and ODNI's brief in support of their summary judgment motion is due December 5, 2019; OSJI's brief in support of its summary judgment motion and in opposition to CIA and ODNI's motion is due January 16, 2020; CIA and ODNI's brief containing their reply and their opposition to OSJI's motion is due February 6, 2020; and OSJI's reply brief is due February 27, 2020. The parties are instructed to submit a joint status update outlining the status of the case as to all parties every four weeks, with the first letter due October 25, 2019. (Motions due by 1/16/2020. Responses due by 2/6/2020. Replies due by 2/27/2020.) (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 10/3/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19–cv–00234–PAE, 1:19–cv–01329–PAE(jwh) (Entered: 10/03/2019) |

| 10/11/2019 | <u>83</u> | PROPOSED STIPULATION AND ORDER. Document filed by National Security Agency, Department of Justice. (Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 10/11/2019) |
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| 10/15/2019 | <u>84</u> | STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL OF DEFENDANTS NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY AND DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between Plaintiff and the NSA and DOJ, and their respective counsel, that: Plaintiff releases and discharges the NSA and DOJ from any and all claims and causes of action that Plaintiff asserted—or could have asserted—in this litigation arising out of the FOIA request. This action is hereby dismissed with prejudice with respect to the NSA and DOJ, and without costs or attorneys' fees to any party, and as further set forth in this Stipulation of Dismissal. So ordered. Department of Justice terminated. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 10/15/2019) (rjm) (Entered: 10/15/2019) |
| 10/25/2019 | <u>85</u> | STATUS REPORT. (<i>joint</i>) Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of State, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Aronoff, Peter) (Entered: 10/25/2019) |
| 10/28/2019 | <u>86</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (85 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE, 105 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE) Status Report filed by Department of Defense, Department of State, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Central Intelligence Agency. ENDORSEMENT: The Court appreciates this update and looks forward to the parties' next joint status letter, due in four weeks. SO ORDERED. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 10/28/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(ks) (Entered: 10/28/2019) |
| 11/22/2019 | <u>87</u> | STATUS REPORT. Document filed by Central Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense, Department of State, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Department of State.Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(Teleanu, Natasha) (Entered: 11/22/2019) |
| 11/25/2019 | <u>88</u> | MEMO ENDORSEMENT on re: (107 in 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 87 in 1:19-cv-01329-PAE) Status Report. ENDORSEMENT: The Court appreciates this update and looks forward to receiving summary judgment briefing beginning December 5, 2019. (Signed by Judge Paul A. Engelmayer on 11/25/2019) Filed In Associated Cases: 1:19-cv-00234-PAE, 1:19-cv-01329-PAE(jwh) (Entered: 11/25/2019) |